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THEREOF

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Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Japanese Office Action issued on July 27, 2010 in the corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2005-516508, along with an English language translation thereof.

Applicant notes that the references mentioned in the Japanese Office Action submitted herewith have all previously been cited in an Information Disclosure Statement. JP 06/070,796 A was previously cited on May 24, 2010. MOLLOY, A., et., al. "Suppression of T-cell proliferation by Mycobacterium leprae and its products: The role of lipopolysaccharide" was previously cited on June 22, 2006 and HAMASUR, B. et., al. "Rapid diagnosis of tuberculosis by detection of mycobacterial lipoarabinomannan in urine" was previously cited on April 9, 2010.

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